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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
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 STEVE MELNICK, et al.)
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 Filed Concurrently Herewith on May 11, 2001)
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 For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR)
 BENEFIT PLAN COST ESTIMATION)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the utility patent application of Steve Melnick, et al. for "SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR BENEFIT COST PLAN ESTIMATION."

1. ☒ The application has 34 pages (including claim pages and abstract).
2. ☒ Six (6) sheets of drawings are enclosed. The drawings are:
 - a. ☐ formal; or
 - b. ☒ informal; formal drawings will be submitted in due course.
3. ☒ The declaration and power of attorney
 - a. ☒ has been executed by the inventors; or
 - b. ☐ has not been executed by all the inventors. A signed declaration and power of attorney will be submitted in due course.
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5. ☒ Two (2) assignments of the invention to Express Scripts, Inc., and two (2) Recordation Form Cover Sheets are enclosed. Please record the Assignments and return them to the undersigned. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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- a. ☐ A certified copy of each of the priority documents is enclosed.
- b. ☐ The certified priority document(s) will follow.
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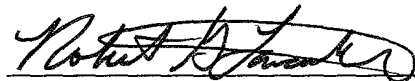
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11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

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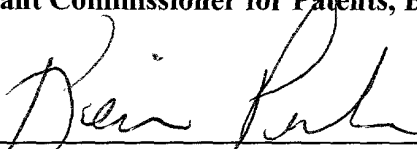
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